



Food Security Sector Working Group Coordination Meeting

10TH FEBRUARY, 2016

Venue: Ministry of Agriculture in Bir Hassan

AGENDA



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1. Food Security Sector 2016 strategy
 2. HCT Contingency Plan
 3. S-MEB revision
 4. WFP future strategy
 5. Presentation on Quinoa
 6. Assessment registry
 7. Activity info reporting
 8. Sub -working groups re- activation
 9. Core group and Co-chair NGO focal point election
 10. AOB

2016 Sector Strategy



- Sector seek to align its objectives to the strategies of MoA and MoSA, which focus on insuring needs-based interventions, taking into account humanitarian principles.
- Sector addresses food insecurity through targeted programmes in a combination of (1) **direct food assistance** responding to immediate short-term humanitarian needs, with (2) **sustainable food production and improved agricultural livelihood** activities
- In 2016, the FSS will increasingly support the overall sector development agenda:
 - Support to private agriculture investment for sustainable production and
 - Creation of temporary income-generating opportunities in agriculture will be key to achieving sustainable food security.



2016 Sector Strategy:

- Need to introduce alternative complementary activities to reduce the risk of future shocks → promote seasonal and casual agricultural livelihoods opportunities to support Lebanese private sector in accordance with Lebanese law, and in consideration of the demands of the local agriculture businesses, agriculture investment.
- Continue use of the electronic voucher system (e-cards) when market conditions are appropriate, to ensure efficiency and accountability. The FSS will continue to invest in readiness for e-voucher transfers in contingency planning and preparedness.
- The sector activities are in line with the MoA Strategy 2015-2019, as particular focus has been given to **building capacities of farmers, promoting agricultural livelihoods, and enhancing capacities of national and local agricultural institutions** (i.e. the Lebanese Agricultural Research Institute/ LARI, technical agriculture schools, and so forth).

Sector Results Logframe: Four Pillars of Food Security



- **Outcome 1 - Food Availability:** Food availability improved through in-kind food assistance and the development of sustainable food value chains.
- **Outcome 2 - Food Access:** Improved food accessibility through food assistance and agricultural livelihoods.
- **Outcome 3 - Food Utilization:** Improved food safety and nutrition practices through the promotion of consumption of diversified and quality food.
- **Outcome 4 - Stabilization:** Stabilization promoted through enhanced information on food security, coordination of agriculture activities and support of national institutions.

2016 Sector strategy : needs and targets



Category	People in Need	Targets
Displaced Syrians	959,721	836,320
Palestine Refugees from Syria	42,000	42,000
Palestine Refugees in Lebanon	42,189	tbd
Vulnerable Lebanese	400,000	232,000
Total	1.4 million	1.1 million

Communities:	All governorates
Institutions:	7 MoA office and 27 centres
Social Development Centers:	60

2016 Sector strategy : needs and targets



Governatore	Displaced Syrians	PRS	Lebanese
Akkar	108220		54402
Baalbek-Hermel 1	104,780	2,672	27,271
Beirut	22,940	6,173	500
Bekaa	203,900	4,560	14,380
Nabatieh	45,860	519	27,148
Mount Lebanon 18	185,620	895	32,424
North	104,500	6,803	51,042
South	60,500	20,378	24,345
Total	836,320	42,000	231,512

Who is doing what per output : 30 partners



OUTCOMES and OUTPUT	PARTNER
1 FOOD AVAILABILITY: Promote food availability through in kind food assistance and sustainable food	
1.1 In-kind food assistance provided to the most vulnerable	ACTED, ANERA, AVSI, CCP JAPAN, DCA – Saida, Dorcas, IOCC, Islamic Relief, MSD, PU-AMI, QRC, SHEILD, SIF
1.2 Enhanced Lebanese small scale and family farming production and adoption of climate smart technologies	ACF, ACTED, CONCERN, FAO, MoA, OXFAM, PU-AMI, RI, SHEILD, SIF, Solidarités
1.3 Marketing of small scale and family farming supported	ACF, ACTED, CONCERN, DRC, FAO, MoA, OXFAM, PU-AMI, SCI, SHEILD
1.4 Reduced food wastage and losses	ACTED, CONCERN, FAO, MoA, OXFAM, PU-AMI
1.5 Control of trans-boundary animal and plant diseases supported	FAO, MoA
OUTCOME 2: Promote food accessibility	
Output-2.1: Improve direct access to food	ACF, ADRA, CLMC, CONCERN, Dorcas, MoSA, MSD, NPA, PU-AMI, UNRWA, WFP, WVI
Output-2.2: Support agricultural institutions for agricultural livelihoods	ACF, ACTED, AVSI, CONCERN, DRC, FAO, MoA, PU-AMI, RI, SCI, SHEILD
Output-2.3: Support to private agriculture investment	ACF, ACTED, CONCERN, FAO, NPA, PU-AMI, SCI, SHEILD, Solidarités
Output-2.4: Agriculture labor market strengthened	ACF, ACTED, CONCERN, FAO, DRC, OXFAM, PU-AMI, SCI, SHEILD, Solidarités, UNICEF
OUTCOME 3: Promote food utilization	
Output-3.1: Improved good nutritional practices	ACF, ACTED, CONCERN, DRC, FAO, NPA, OXFAM, PU-AMI, RI, WVI
Output-3.2: Food safety measures and policies enhanced	ACF, ACTED, CONCERN, FAO, MoA, PU-AMI
OUTCOME 4: Promote stabilization	
Output-4.1: Food security data and information collected, analyzed and disseminated	ACTED, CONCERN, FAO, PU-AMI, WFP
Output-4.2: National institutions involved in food security supported	FAO, MoA, OXFAM, WFP



HCT Contingency Planning

1. Two Scenarios
2. Response Strategy
3. Preparedness Gaps & Actions
4. Sector Operational Delivery Plans

CONTEXT : situation which go above and beyond the capacity of a single agency to respond, and which may qualify as a complex emergency or natural disaster.



SCENARIO 1:

- Massive influx of 150,000 refugees* within 30 days due to further deterioration of the situation in Syria.

**In presence of a small portion of PRS and Lebanese returnees within the 150,000 the sector will coordinate with the mandated agencies.*

SCENARIO 1:



Objectives: to ensure humanitarian agencies in Lebanon have minimum preparedness measures and response capacities in place to meet the immediate critical humanitarian needs of 150,000 newly arrived refugees during the first three (3) to four (4) weeks of rapid-onset emergency

PREPAREDNESS GAPS & ACTIONS SCENARIO 1



Looking at Minimum Preparedness Actions (MPA) at national at sub-national level. Includes mapping of HR, stocks and gaps with focus on the hotspot areas.

Sector	Preparedness Action	Completed (Yes/no?)	Funding gap
Food Security	Strengthening existing partnerships and expand network of partners active in the sector(NGOs, governmental institutions, international organizations, service providers and other actors)	On going	n/a
	Regular monitoring of shops stocks* and food commodities prices	On ongoing/ActivityInfo	n/a
	Verification of available stocks and warehouses in order to be ready to face the emergency as outlined in the CP	On going	n/a
	Mapping of existing facilities for the provision of hot meals(community kitchens)	Partially (for some locations) to be continued	N/a
	Mapping of partners who may be able to switch their programmes to emergency response in case the worst case scenario unravels	Yes	n/a
	Discussion with Bank on prepositioning of cards	Yes*	108,000
	Strengthening partners and authorities capacity to provide emergency nutrition response programmes	On going	
	Food Security total preparedness funding gap		\$ 108,000

* For those shops involved in cash based transfers interventions

OPERATIONAL DELIVERY and FUNDING REQUIRMENT SCENARIO 1

Activities	Indicator	Target	Unit cost (US\$)	Total cost (US\$)	Funding available (US\$)	Funding gap (US\$)
Provision of Food assistance (in kind/voucher /cash) to newly displaced families	# of households receiving food parcels	5,000 hhs	38**USD	950,000	0	950,000
	# of households receiving hot meals***	2,000 hhs	30****USD	240,000	0	240,000
	# of children U5 treated for acute malnutrition	1,500	184 USD	276,142	42,462 (in terms of commodities available in the country)	257,338
	# of children U5 receiving micro nutrient supplementation	3,000	115 USD	135,000	346,073 (in terms of commodities available in the country)	
	# of women receiving micro nutrient supplementation	12,000	175 USD	2,090,600	781,497 (in terms of commodities available in the country)	1,316,103
	# of households receiving a one-off e-card	23,000 hhs*****	Approx. 88 USD	Approx. 2,024,000	0	Approx. 2,024,000

**Based on 2016 LCRP rates per person. Total cost is calculated per hhs for a month period

***Based on partners inputs. Hot meals to be provided in locations with availability of community kitchens.

****The provided costs are calculated per HHs over a 4 weeks period as per the rates used in currently existing site in Akkar, West Beqaa, North Lebanon and Beqaa.

***** Depending on the needs and vulnerability.

SECTOR OPERATIONAL DELIVERY PLAN SCENARIO 1



- People in need: 150,000
- People Targeted: 150,000
- Requirements (USD): 4,895,441
- # of partners : 9
- Preparedness: 108,000 USD
- Response: 4,787,441 USD



SCENARIO 2:

Inter-community violence with the spread of armed ground activity are heightened due to the exacerbation of existing political, sectarian, and socio-economic tensions. Under this scenario, several hotspots areas such as **Arsal and surroundings, Tripoli, Beirut southern suburbs, Palestinian camps such as (EEH) and Nar el Bared, Shebaa farms, Marjayoun, Wadi Khaled**, would be most affected

254,000 may be temporarily displaced and in need of assistance.

SCENARIO 2:



Objective: to ensure humanitarian agencies in Lebanon have minimum preparedness measures and response capacities in place to meet the immediate critical humanitarian needs of 254,000 people likely to be affected during the first three (3) to four (4) weeks of rapid-onset emergency

➤ *This figure includes some vulnerable people already in the country and who may currently be receiving humanitarian assistance.*

PREPAREDNESS GAPS & ACTIONS SCENARIO 2



Looking at Minimum Preparedness Actions (MPA) at national at sub-national level. Includes mapping of HR, stocks and gaps with focus on the hotspot areas.

Sector	Preparedness Action	Completed (Yes/no?)	Funding gap
Food Security	Strengthening existing partnerships and expand network of partners active in the sector(NGOs, governmental institutions, international organizations, service providers and other actors)	On going	n/a
	Regular monitoring of shops stocks* and food commodities process	On ongoing	n/a
	Verification of available stocks and warehouses in order to be ready to face the emergency as outlined in the CP	On going	n/a
	Mapping of existing facilities for the provision of hot meals(community kitchens)	Partially (for some locations) to be continued	N/a
	Mapping of partners who may be able to switch their programmes to emergency response in case the worst case scenario unravels	On going	n/a
	Discussion with Bank on prepositioning of cards	No	n/a
	Discussion with authorities on coordination and response arrangements	To be started	n/a
	Strengthening partners and authorities capacity to provide emergency nutrition response programmes	On going	n/a
	Food Security total preparedness funding gap		n/a

* For those shops involved in cash based transfers interventions

OPERATIONAL DELIVERY and FUNDING REQUIREMENT SCENARIO 2



Activities	Indicator	Target	Unit cost (US\$)	Total cost (US\$)	Funding available (US\$)	Funding gap (US\$)
Provision of Food assistance (in kind/voucher /cash) to newly displaced families	# of households receiving food parcels	5,000 hhs	38*8 USD	950,000	0	950,000
	# of households receiving hot meals**8	2,000 hhs	30****USD	240,000	0	240,000
	# of PRS individuals receiving food assistance via ATM	6,000 individuals	32 USD	192,000	0	192,000
	# of children U 5 treated for acute malnutrition	2,550	129 USD	329,387	42,462 (in terms of commodities available in the country)	89,925
	# of children U5 receiving micro nutrient supplementation	5,100		4,233	346,073 (in terms of commodities available in the country)	0
	# of women receiving micronutrient supplementation	20,329	174 USD	3,540,498	781,497 (in terms of commodities available in the country)	2,759,001
	# of households receiving food assistance via e-card	17,000*****hhs	Approx. 88 UDS	Approx. 1,496,000	0	Approx. 1,496,000

***Based on 2016 LCRP rates per person. Total cost is calculated per hhs for a month period*

****Based on partners inputs. Hot meals to be provided in locations with availability of community kitchens.*

*****The provided costs are calculated per HHs over a 4 weeks period as per the rates used in currently existing site in Akkar, West Beqaa, North Lebanon and Beqaa.*

****** Depending on the needs and vulnerability. This figures only covers the Refugee out of which a targeted population has been extracted as per the same criteria used in the LCRP 2016.*

SECTOR OPERATIONAL DELIVERY PLAN



- People in need: 254,000
- People Targeted: 145,400*
- Requirements (USD): 5,726,926
- # of partners : 10
- Preparedness: n/a USD
- Response:5,726,926 USD

** This figures do not include figures for Vulnerable Lebanese. In case of the need for the Food Security Sector to support Vulnerable Lebanese, targeted figures and the response will be implemented pending discussion with the relevant authorities.*

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S-MEB Review 2016

PRESENTATION TO THE FOOD SECURITY WORKING
GROUP

10TH OF FEBRUARY 2016

Inter-Agency exercise (contribution mainly by DRC, WFP, SI...)

Used existing Data - 17 agencies shared data

Consulted with Sectors/Sector leads to define each category, the list of items and their value

Initially the MEB was developed – seen as too high (571 USD for a household of 5)

Second step: SMEB was developed (435 USD for a household of 5)

SMEB used :

- For scoring
- For calculation of the package

S-MEB Review



WHY ?

Reinforcing methodology

Looking at different hypothesis and their relevance (national vs. regional S-MEB, variation of expenditure with family size etc.)

Updating current S-MEB value (i.e. capturing change in price if any since 2014)

Improving documentation

Setting recommendations for future updates

WHAT ?

Overall Objective is to review and reinforce the Survival and Minimum Expenditure Basket as well as to provide insights on future programming

Final product:

- Report including methodology and New estimation/calculation of the S-MEB
- Presentation to Inter-Agency

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S-MEB Review



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WHO ?

Funding: ECHO, through the Lebanon Cash Consortium

Advisory Committee (with ToRs)

- Chair: LCC
- MoSA/NPTP
- UNHCR
- WFP
- UNICEF
- Oxfam
- DRC
- NRC
- UNHCR Inter Agency/BA WG – observing member

Consultant: To be hired



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Next Steps

* *Indicative timeline – subject to change depending on results of recruitment process*



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Recruitment of the consultant (January – February 2016)

Preparatory work by the Committee (January – February 2016)

- Draft methodology
- Initial Literature Review
- Community Participation/ Consultation
- Identification of existing data and gaps

Consultancy (March – April 2016), including

- Inception report
- Analysis on the different hypothesis
- Discussions on findings with the Committee
- Presentation to Inter-Agency

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The AC's members will ensure decisions **reflect the best people's needs and reality on the ground**; a set of criteria against which to assess the set of findings will be developed by the AC

The Advisory Committee (AC) is formed for a **limited time** to prepare and accompany the review and reinforcement of the Survival and Minimum Expenditure Basket as well as to provide insights on future programming

The AC is reporting and accountable to the **Sub-Targeting Working Group** Co-Chaired by the Basic Assistance and Food Security Working Groups

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The **work may result in the confirmation of the current values of the S-MEB** (i.e. better methodology but same value at the end, i.e. 114 and 87 USD per capita)

The **AC recognizes that it has no decision power as to the programmatic changes the S-MEB review may lead to**; the AC will only formulate recommendations and report back to the relevant Working Group/core groups and agencies who can decide upon changes

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Questions ?



WFP FUTURE STRATEGY

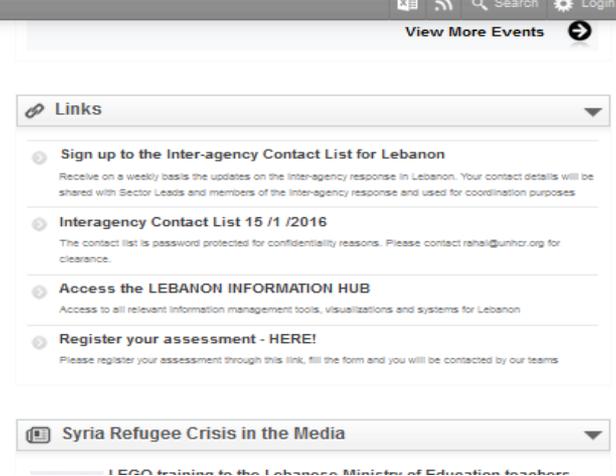


QUINOA

**Video on FAO supports the Lebanese
Agricultural Research Institute to
introduce Quinoa production to
Lebanon**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4pWZFi-uM34&feature=youtu.be>

Assessment Registry



To access the assessment registry, go to the portal:

<http://data.unhcr.org/syrianrefugees/country.php?id=122>

And click on “Register your assessment – HERE!” under links (to the right). You will be directed to this link.

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1iHQ4efiS0ZphniRvg551I7ly9MvT9fP2N6pQRs6NMhA/viewform?c=0&w=1>

Fill the requested info.

ActivityInfo REPORTING DATES



Activity Info Reporting Deadlines 2016

- X Partners reporting deadline
- X Sector approval deadline



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Sub working group re- activation



NGO focal point and co-chair election



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Thank you